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DAVID TURETSKY NAMED FCC PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU CHIEF

Washington, D.C. – Today, FCC Chairman Julius Genachowski named David S. Turetsky as Chief of the FCC's Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (PSHSB). Mr. Turetsky is a senior communications lawyer with decades of leadership experience in the public and private sectors. He will begin after Memorial Day. David Furth, currently serving as Acting Chief, will resume his role as Deputy Bureau Chief.

Chairman Genachowski said, "The FCC has a vital role in public safety and homeland security. We are fortunate that the new leader of our Public Safety Bureau will be David Turetsky, with his stellar talent and broad experience in and out of government."

He continued: "I also want to express my appreciation to David Furth for his dedication to the agency's public safety mission and leadership while serving as Acting Chief of the bureau."

Jamie Barnett, Rear Admiral (Retired), Senior Vice President at the Potomac Institute for Policy Studies and former PSHSB Chief said, "Chairman Julius Genachowski made an excellent choice in appointing David Turetsky as the Chief of the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau. His proven leadership experience, broad knowledge of the communications landscape, and proven track record of getting things done will serve the agency well. As a member of the public safety community, I look forward to supporting David as he continues to implement the Chairman's vision for enhancing our nation's safety and security through advanced communications technologies."

Mr. Turetsky brings a number of years of senior U.S. government experience, including serving as Deputy Assistant Attorney General for Antitrust in the U.S. Department of Justice; and business experience as a senior lawyer and officer for Teligent, a fixed-wireless telecommunications and broadband services company. He joins the FCC from Dewey & LeBoeuf LLP, where he was partner. At the firm, he focused on a wide range of regulated industries, including telecom, media, satellite, energy, and transportation.

He was twice appointed by federal courts and the FCC as the Management Trustee of rural U.S. mobile wireless businesses required to be divested as a condition of a merger approval. In this role, Mr. Turetsky oversaw all aspects of the businesses, including management, day-to-day operations, strategic planning, and emergency response. During his time in the Clinton Administration Antitrust Division, Mr. Turetsky was deeply involved in the shaping of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. He has also been a member of the State Department Advisory Committee on International Communications and Information Policy, and serves as co-chair of the State Enforcement Committee of the American Bar Association Antitrust Section.

Mr. Turetsky received his B.A. in political science from Amherst College and his J.D. from University of Chicago School of Law. He also studied at the London School of Economics.

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